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1. An English language abstract of WO 01/00706 submitted herewith constitutes a concise statement of relevance of WO 01/00706.
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It is noted that JP-63-12737, cited in two of the seven communications of the counterpart Japanese patent applications, was previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement of June 13, 2005, and thus is not being listed again on the Form PTO/SB/08 A&B submitted herewith.

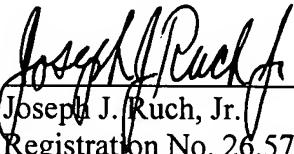
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